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U. S. Army Ordered Demobilized

IMPORTANT WAR NEWS BULLETINS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Demobilization of combat units in the United States has been ordered, General March, chief of staff, told the House Military Committee today. This means, he added, that every unit of the army in the United States with the exception of two regular regiments held for police duty at each camp has been ordered demobilized.

BERLIN, Jan. 16.—Dr. Karl Liebknecht, the Spartacan leader, has been captured, it was learned late last night, by officers and men of the division of mounted rifle guards, who arrived in Berlin today.

The Spartacan leader is said to have been seized and taken to the fashionable Hotel Edin in the western part of Berlin. Private telephone communication with the hotel was cut off abruptly soon after it was reported that he had been taken there.

BRUSSELS, Jan. 16.—Forty persons were killed and many wounded in a fresh outburst of fighting between Spartacides and government troops at Dusseldorf.

THINGS DOING AT THE STATE ASSEMBLY

State Is Not Likely to Do Anything To Help Soldiers

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 16.—Reconstruction questions are next on the legislative program, but opposition may be brewing from other quarters later in the session, declare some of the disgruntled "wets," who speak mysteriously of retaliatory measures and what not.

"Just wait," said Bismarck Bruck this morning with a knowing smile. "If you fellows think this is going to be a quiet session from now on you're going to get the surprise of your life."

But a scanning of the horizon shows only the usual squalls in the offing. The Sunday closing bill, the anti-injunction measure, compensation for the vineyardists, harbor transfer, the abolition of the market director's office—these are a few of the high spots in what otherwise looks like a restful session.

Beyond doubt the present Legislature is confronted with immense responsibility with regard to the returning soldiers and the general problems of post-war adjustment, but so far very few comprehensive measures have been offered either from the administration or from the floor. A panicky desire is manifest to "do something" in the face of the serious aftermaths of demobilization, but little has crystallized into any solution of the problems.

Last evening C. C. Moore of the State Council of Defense was in conference with the governor, but he had no legislative program to suggest. His plan is to urge the counties, through "community councils," to absorb the returning soldier boys.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY

SEEK STATE AID FOR HUNTERS POINT

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 16—A measure presented today by Senators Canepa and Scott would provide for the leveling of Hunters Point in San Francisco and San Mateo counties and create a "peninsula water front board" with authority to direct the work. Fifty thousand dollars would be appropriated to carry out the provisions of the act.

LEGISLATURE WILL TAKE USUAL MONTH RECESS

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 16.—The Forty-Third California State Legislature will adjourn on Jan. 24, not to reconvene until Feb. 24. This was decided upon in the Assembly at noon today by a vote of 59 ayes to 3 noes.

Assemblyman Edward Baker of Los Angeles sought to "gum" up the parade with an amendment calling for an extension of the first session until Jan. 31, but he was roared down.

PROHIBITION RATIFIED AND MATTER CLOSED

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 16.—Contentions that prohibition in California must be submitted to a vote of the citizens were answered here today by U. S. Webb, attorney general of the state, in a statement that he personally did not believe such action was necessary.

"To my mind, so far as California is concerned, the national prohibition amendment has been ratified and the matter is closed," Webb said.

"It is not necessary to submit legislative resolutions, such as the ratification resolution, to a referendum."

BOLSHIVIKS PLUNDER AND BURN RUS HOMES

LONDON, Jan. 16.—Bolshevik troops have occupied the important Russian port of Mitau, on the Baltic coast. Two hundred houses at Mitau were destroyed in the fighting.

NO FRATERNIZATION ALLOWED BY PERSHING

COBLENZ, Tuesday, Jan. 14.—Twenty German girls at Andernach, near here, have been arrested, charged with a violation of General Pershing's order forbidding them to talk with American soldiers. These arrests have served to emphasize the determination of the American command not to permit fraternization in occupied regions.

IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION PROPOSED IN CONGRESS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—"When the men in the army are demobilized," said Frank Morrison, secretary of the American Federation of Labor, today, before the house immigration committee, "we are going to have bread lines in every industrial center by May 1. After that date it is hoped that building will pick up and take some of the men." Surveys of industrial conditions in many cities showing unemployment were presented by Morrison, urging legislation prohibiting immigration for four years.

EL CERRITO RED CROSS IS WORKING HARD

The El Cerrito Red Cross unit, under the leadership of Mrs. Mabel Chapman, is again aiding the people of El Cerrito, in making pneumonia jackets and masks, and obtaining Red Cross nurses for those afflicted with the flu. Some arrangements will be made to keep the Red Cross headquarters opened a part of each day. Anyone having a few hours to spend will be welcome to work during this time. The ladies who assisted Mrs. Chapman in finishing up the last quota of work were Mrs. A. C. Wagner, Mrs. Hofsas, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Shoute, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Gute and Mrs. Butterfield. The quota was returned on time and much credit is due to these faithful workers who have willingly given their time and energy to this great cause.

If there are any women in El Cerrito willing to aid their neighbors during this epidemic, will they kindly leave their name and address at the Red Cross headquarters, on San Pablo avenue.

Pneumonia jackets and masks may be had on application at the local auxiliary.

For the convenience of its readers the News has set up and is carrying the S. P. time table. When you want a train, going or coming, consult the News.

FINED $25 FOR DRUNK; SHOULD HAVE BEEN $500

R. H. Silvester, who was arrested some days ago for driving an automobile through the streets of Richmond while in an intoxicated condition, was up before the police court yesterday and received a fine of $25 and a reprimand. This same fellow ran down somebody in Berkeley a while back while drunk, and did time for it in the Berkeley jail, and this being his second offense of the kind he should have received a fine of about $500 and six months in jail, then he would learn a lesson that might do him some good. This few dollars fine and reprimands are a mistake, especially in such cases as this, and our kind-hearted police judge lets the bigness of his heart overlap his judgment.

MILLION AND HALF EXPENDED ON DAM

Amending a recently filed application to the railroad commission, the East Bay Water Company yesterday requested authority to issue its class "A" 6 per cent cumulative preferred stock to the amount of $437,332.20 instead of $394,021, as requested in the original petition. The proceeds of the sale are to be distributed as follows:

To reimburse the treasury for 20 per cent of expenditures totalling $1,014,841.03, equalling $202,968.20. To reimburse treasury for 20 per cent of expenditures on San Pablo project, which for year of 1918, amounted to $701,544, or $140,308.80 to apply on San Pablo construction expenditures estimated at $470,276, an amount totalling $94,055.20.

According to the utility company's petition there has been expended in the last three years on the San Pablo project a total of $1,502,939.27. Expenditures planned for after Jan. 1, 1919, call for a total of $470,276.

ALVIN GRAY LOSES DAUGHTER

Little Alice Gray, 4-year-old daughter of Alvin Gray, died at Santa Rosa Wednesday. The wife and mother also died there a short time ago. They resided at Florida and Fourth streets, Richmond and were visiting relatives at Santa Rosa.

SALOONS LIKELY CLOSE ON JULY 1 NEXT

In all human probablity most of the saloons in the United States will close the 1st of next July, as under the government law going into effect at that time they would be foolish to remain open. Already some are beginning to whimper about Richmond losing the money paid by saloons as licenses. In other words, many there are who would allow anything done, just so there was some money in it. Richmond does not need money that is mixed with the heart's blood of wives and children. If the city is so dodgasted poor as all that it had better pass the hat. Every right-minded man and woman would contribute, and the News will be one to head the subscription. Cross those bridges when you come to them. There are always many ways for doing anything that should be done.

One year from today every saloon, brewery, distillery and wine press in the land must close its doors unless, as now seems likely, they are already closed at the time by war prohibition, which goes into effect July 1 and stays until completion of demobilization.

FIREMEN AND COUNCIL TALK TWO-PLATOON

A committee representing the firemen, Chief Lemoine, Assistant Chief Yeater and Councilmen John Hartnett, J. B. Ogborn, R. L. Fernald and Mayor Lane met at No. 2 fire house last night to discuss the advantages of the two-platoon system which the firemen of the city are asking the council to give them. The committee of firemen explained the two-platoon system, showing the efficiency over the 24-hour system which is in force at the present time. On account of the epidemic some of the councilmen were unable to be present at the meeting.

The councilmen who were present intend to take up the matter next Monday night before all the members. The committee representing the firemen is composed of Lieutenant B. H. Smith, chairman; Captain R. Wells, Captain R. Paash and O. M. Smith.

The two-platoon system is up to date and miles ahead of the present obsolete way.

BIG CONTRACT FINISHED

The Richmond Navigation and Improvement Company of this city have finished their part of the $160,000 highway contract, made by Sonoma County on its new highway near Santa Rosa. The local company's big hoist and dipper used in their contract of supplying the rock and gravel for the highway were received by the local concern this week. The navigation company has been supplying the rock since May, 1918. The highway will soon be completed.

RICHMOND PROSPERITY ASSURED BY INDUSTRY

Standard Oil Must Increase—Demand Greater than Supply—Pays $10 Per Share Dividends

While Richmond is a city of manufacturing industry, it revolves to a considerale extent around the great Standard Oil refinery, here, now probably the greatest oil refinery in the world. That is the great center of commercial interest, and almost everything else depends to a greater or less degree upon the prosperity and expansion or contraction of that industry.

It is therefore of vital interest to everybody in Richmond to know that this big industry in our midst is to keep on enlarging and spreading out and employing more and more people all the time in future, instead of otherwise, as some pessimistically inclined were afraid would be the case when the war stopped and the war demand for its products ceased.

The Standard maintained a force of about 4,000 people in its many departments during the period America was in the war, and now finds itself with a demand for its product for peace purposes such as it never had before, because of the fact that the war created many new uses for oils and their by-products. The demand today is greater than the supply can keep up with, which can mean nothing else but expansion instead of contraction, and added investment rather than the contrary. This vast concern has something like $25,000,000 invested right here in Richmond, and likely it is much more than that, and that it will continue indefinitely to be a veritable bee-hive of industry is very good news to Richmond and every citizen here.

Reasons for Demand.

Many of the war uses of gasoline and fuel oil are being carried over into peace. It is certain that the airplane, with its demand for high-quality gasoline, has come to stay and take its place in the commercial life of the nation.

The marine uses of fuel oil, that have been so enormously increased in the war time, will be carried over into peace to a large extent. Whatever may happen to armaments—and all the destroyers and battle cruisers of recent construction are oil burners—it is more significant that 60 per cent of the ocean freight carriers constructed for the order of the United States Shipping Board have been built with oil-burning boilers. Here is a demand for oil in ocean carriage that is insistent if the prices of the commodities of commerce are to be kept down.

And on land it is equally certain that the gasoline-burning truck, so extensively used for transportation in war, has come to stay and to find an important place in peace time transportation, relieving the rail carriers from a large portion of the express business and to do much other freight hauling.

Pays Big Dividends.

Standard Oil of California, whose stock is the highest priced of all California oil shares, paid cash dividends of $10 per share last year and an extra Liberty Bond dividend of $2.50. The cash dividend rate was the same as for 1917. The company issued no reports of earnings for last year, but it is generally understood to have adhered to its policy of putting large sums back into the business. Net profits for 1917, estimates for income and excess profits taxes, were $18,649,630, equivalent to about $18.75 on the outstanding stock and about 16 1-4 per cent of capital and surplus at the close of the year.

Richmond has every reason to be very thankful that it is practically the center of the oil refining industry of the United States.

BIG ARMY TO ENFORCE DEMANDS UPON GERMANY

LONDON, January 16.—The Central News declares that, as a result of the allied discussions in Paris, the whole aspect of demobilization has undergone a sudden and vital change, this being shown in the drastic conditions demanded of Germany for a renewal of the armistice. "On authority of an unimpeachable character," says the Central News, "it can be stated that a situation exists in Europe under which war may break out again at any moment. The allied war council has arrived at a decision which means that the British people have mistaken the appearance of peace for reality. This desicion means that the new British ministry must revise the whole scheme of army demobilization.

"The decision is that Great Britain, in proportion to its military strength, must maintain an army of occupation on the Rhine for many months."

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TURN YOUR EYES INWARD

That radical Socialism, Bolshevism and anarchy are the dangers which threaten the world today as bad as did the German war, is a well known fact, and that there is quite a sprinkling of those elements and sentiments in this country ever since we opened our gates to unchecked and unsorted immigration from foreign shores, is another well known fact. A "Red" war of carnage and murder would never get anywhere in this country, like it has in Russia, Germany and Austria, because the American people are not built on that plan and would not stand for any such monkey business, but the propaganda is going on here all the time, especially in the cities, and it helps materially to breed trouble among the working classes of people everywhere. The loud-mouthed radical agitator is always in evidence, and he is a trouble-breeder wherever he is.

You of the extreme radical views would do well to take a survey of yourselves before you shout so loud about ruling everybody else. Any successful rule or regime, whether it be by capital or labor, or both combined, must have honor and honesty for its basis or it must fail. No structure built upon any other foundation can ever hope to stand. And that is just exactly what is needed today to do away with Bolshevism and anarchy—honor and honesty among capitalists, honor and honesty among working people, honor and honesty among all of us.

As a rule the mouthy ranter is just as dishonest as the capitalists he rants about, which is proven by the fact that whenever there has ever been a clash capital has always been able to hire half of the people to shoot down the other half. And that means that the half which were hired were dishonest and dishonorable, or they would not sell out for cash, as they invariably do.

Trotzky and Lenine were both of the shouting brand of race hatred agitators in this country, posing as would-be saviors of the downtrodden masses of the people, and the minute they got the chance they sold out to the German autocracy for gold, as has been proven. And the poor deluded and ignorant masses of Russia and Germany no sooner got rid of the oppression of autocracy than they split up into factions and have been murdering each other ever since over a division of the loot and spoils and the question of who should have the power. This is because dishonesty and dishonor in the rank and file is as plentiful as it was in the autocracy they overthrew. A dishonest proletariat is just as bad as a dishonest autocracy.

There can be no honor or honesty in the torch, the bomb or assasination, no matter who uses such methods. And such methods can never win in any enlightened or civilized country. Only where ignorance is dense and brutality predominate can such things live even for a while. Those who employ such methods, or advocate them, are simply inviting sure disaster for themselves, which will not be long in coming.

We have the ballot in this coutnry, and through that ballot can make our own laws and enforce them. The only reason we do not do this to a greater extent is because we are dishonest and sell out at elections, or allow the opposition to divide us up into factions by playing upon our natural credulity and selfishness.

Teach your children honor and honesty, and absorb some of it yourself, and when that becomes national there will be no further need of radical Socialism, Bolshevism or Anarchy. Misunderstandings and disputes will then be settled by arbitration, as they should be, and a spirit of live and let live will take the place of class hatred and antagonism.

AID FOR HOME BUILDERS

Resumption of the normal activity in building is regarded by the Department of Labor as the first step in transition from a war to a peace basis. The war practically ended building of all sorts not connected with the government's program, through restrictions on construction and movement of building material.

At this time, building of economically sound projects will benefit not only the building industry but industry as a whole, and will smooth the pathway from war time conditions to the normal. Moreover, building remains a permanent betterment to every community.

Aid to home-builders on a national scale, and in a manner similar to that by which the Federal Farm Loan Banks aid agriculture, has been suggested to the Division of Public Works and Construction Development of the Department of Labor by President Keesler of the United States League of Building and Loan Associations, in order to interest the public in building during the transition period from war to peace.

Building loan associations of this country, according to this plan, would perform for workingmen much the same service as that performed for farmers by farm loan banks. Mortgages made over to building and loan associations, it is suggested, should be rediscountable at Federal Reserve Banks, in order that these associations might render most effective service.

THINKOGRAPHS

Down where the air is sulphur-charged,
The imps with eager clutch
Await with grins they can't suppress
The chump who talks too much.

The chap who doesn't care for expenses seldom pays them.

When a man is mysteriously missing, look for the woman.

Stenographers are not the only ones to practice the touch system.

A wrong colored hair on the coat lapel is not "Safety First."

The bread-winner also has to come across with the butter and jam.

Love may make the world go round, but it won't make the wheels of an automobile do likewise.

Chastity mentioned in connection with Newport's four hundred is irrelevant and immaterial. And that is not all it is, either—it is a dingbusted fabrication.

Paradise may be too musical for some. Continuous harp music by the thousands of years would be apt to get on the nerves; but maybe we won't have any nerves there.

The brave soldiers who were gassed by the Germans in France will have the tenderest sympathy from the people in the United States who were gassed by the politicians.

Of course, we suppose the Paris Matin, which itemizes and totals France's bill against Germany at $68,000,000,000, will agree to a reasonable discount for cash.

Out of 3,000 prisoners in California state prisons only twenty-one are women. This shows why the devil is always pictured as a man and angels painted as the female of the species.

It begins to look as if the old custom of beating swords into plowshares, that Isiah used to write about, can not be revived, as the times require that the guns be melted and cast into tractor ploys.

Bob Ryder of the Ohio State Journal gave his pants to be sent to destitute Belgium. This is the most complete sacrifice by a civilian that we have heard of, provided, of course, that Ryder had no more pants than we have.

Possibly this is not in Mr. Burbank's jurisdiction, but the crossing of the strawberry plant, the milk weed and the sugar beet by him to bring about the succulent and tasteful dish of berries, cream and sweetness is being totally eclipsed in this state in an attempt to cross an elephant with a bull moose, both of them males

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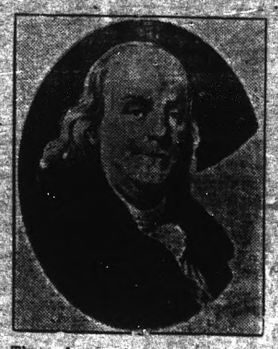
Red Cross Units.

Plans for an important meeting of the heads of the Home Service and Civilian Relief departments of the various Red Cross chapters and auxiliaries in this county have been laid. The date of the conference is Jan. 25 and Martinez is to be host to the visiting delegates.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN THRIFT-DAY TOMORROW



Throughout the United States special honor will be paid the memory of Benjamin Franklin tomorrow, the 213th anniversary of his birth, as a part of the government's 1919 campaign of thrift. As America's foremost exponent of saving Franklin's photograph adorns the new issue of thrift stamps and his famous admonitions will be used as slogans during the year.

The 150,000 war savings societies in the country will have charge of special programs to be given in school houses, churches, theaters and libraries tomorrow and the sayings printed by Franklin in Poor Richard's Almanac almost two centuries ago will be given the 1919 endorsement.

Franklin's contemporaries never realized the value of his advice as much as their descendants who live today following a year of war-enforced thrift.

It is the purpose of the treasury department to perpetuate thrift stamps as an American institution and follow up the advantages won last year.

"If you would be wealthy, think of saving as well as getting," wrote the discoverer of electricity and endorser of thrift almost two centuries ago, and today the young sprout who spends his time and money entertaining his cronies with wild talk about the salaries he has received and expects to receive, would do well to keep that thrittogram in his mind.

REALTY TRANSFERS

Daily service to the News by the Richmond Abstract and Title Co.

Chas. and Elizabeth J. Durner to Chas. Boehm Jr., deed to lots 4, 5 and 6, block 178 Walls addition.

The Richmond Development Company to Wm. S. and Daisy M. M. Bell, deed to lots 16 and 17, block H, Harbor Gate subdivision.

Bay District Realty Company to O. H. Close, deed to lot 16, block 8, Coleman Pullman tract.

John R. Nystrom Company to Wm. Funk, deed to lots 17 and 18, block 1, Nystrom's addition.

B. H. Griffins to Wm. Stiller, deed to lots 7 and 8, block 1; lot 9, block 5, lots 19, 20 and 31, block 7; lots 34, block 8; lots 10 and 11, block 10; lots 32 and 33, block 12; lots 31 and 32, block 13; Griffins & Watrous addition to Richmond.

Patrick Kearney to John Lynch, deed to lots 2 and 3, block 22 amd. City of Richmond.

Frank E. and Stella B. Leviston to Fritz Hahn, deed to lots 7 and 8, block C, City of Pullman.

Henry A. and Margaret C. Johnston to Max Chintz, deed to lots 1 and 2, block 35, amd. City of Richmond.

Lola J. Maciway Offerman to M. Julia Odell, deed to lot 25, block C, Nicholl subdivision.

J. H. Busch to Mary E. Busch, deed to lots 6 and 7, block 65, East Richmond Heights.

J. H. Busch to Mary Ellen Busch, deed to lot 23, block 12, Richmond Pullman Puebla.

The Richmond Company, Inc., to Felix E. Orth, deed to lot 2, block 12, Andrade Home.

Lillian R. and Thomas P. Money to Chas. E. Trower, deed to lots 8, 9, 10 and 11, block 29, Bay View Park.

Georgie R. Gordon to James Gordon, deed to lot 4, block 22, Spaulding Richmond Pullman.

Contra Costa County Comment

Oil Refinery Improvement.

Work which will require many months to complete, which calls for an expenditure of well over a half million dollars and which will make the refinery one of the most completely equipped about the bay, has been started at the Avon refinery of the Associated Oil Company.

A mammoth new canning plant, complete and modern in every respect, with a capacity of about 5,000 cases per day, is to be one of the first of the new units erected.

Martinez Schools to Open.

The trustees of the high and grammar schools of Martinez met yesterday and decided that the schools will be reopened next Monday. The trustees have ordered that all children shall be masked and the teachers must also wear the masks. This action was taken upon the recommendation of Dr. Merrithew, city health officer, who states that the situation has improved rapidly and that he believes it will continue to do so.

Tuberculosis Hospital.

District Attorney A. B. Tinning and J. H. Trythall, chairman of the Board of Supervisors, were in Auburn yesterday, where they are attending a meeting of county officials from seven counties engaged in plans for the erection of the tuberculosis hospital at Auburn.

LABOR CONVENTION DOWN TO BUSINESS

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 16.—Delegates to the National Labor Congress today voted down a proposition to bar newspaper reporters from the sessions. The motion to exclude reporters was made by several radical delegates and was finally defeated by an overwhelming vote.

Chairman E. D. Nolan expressed his satisfaction at the action, declaring that organized labor had always stood for free speech and a free press.

The delegates discussed a wide variety of subjects today while waiting for the resolution committee to report a program for the liberation of Thomas J. Mooney and Warren K. BiBillings from prison.

At the opening of today's session, Chaiman Nolan defended the action of the convention in extending an invitation to Eugene V. Debs to address the body by saying that there was no man in the labor world more entitled to a hearing.

"The day has passed when a labor leader can be discredited by calling him an anarchist, a Bolsheviki or a pro-German," said Chairman Nolan.

An appeal for funds to pay the expenses of the convention and to continue work in the Mooney case resulted in the collection of $652. Leon Green of Seattle said that the International Workers' Defense League already had expended $300,000 in the Mooney case and that more money was necessary if the work was to be continued.

The House of Gold At The Richmond

Many people imagine they would be happy if they were multi-millionaires,—in other words, if they lived in a "house of gold." This five-act feature at the Richmond theater today shows the life and experiences of one woman who was bought with gold, who lived with gold, and who was finally willing to give anything in the world to get rid of the gold.

Emmy Wehlen is the star in this magnificent drama of thrills and mystery, which never for a moment relaxes in absorbing interest. At one point two men struggle in the darkness. One is killed, and one escapes. The bartered bride herself does not know which one! Amazing complications arise as a result of this uncertainty.

The events of "The House of Gold," surprising as they are, are perfectly possible, and do not once pass the limit of credibity, even though they are unusual in the extreme. It is a vital drama of human hearts.

EAST BAY CITIES FIGHT FOOD PRICES

Alleging that during the past year the price of fish has doubled and in some instances quadrupled under the administration of State Commissioner Henry Weinstock, Oakland City Commissioner W. H. Edwards, chairman of the Bay Cities Food and Fish Commission, today sent out notices calling a meeting of that organization next Tuesday afternoon. The purpose of the meeting is to select a representative to go to Sacramento and appear before the Legislature to ask that the present fish exchange act be removed from the statute books and also to introduce remedial legislation to prevent profiteering in food.

The Bay Cities Food and Fish Commission, which is composed of members o. the Oakland City Council and representatives from San Francisco, Berkeley, Richmond and Alameda, is said to have the co-operation and support of women's clubs throughout the state.

Carefully compiled data and statistics showing the alleged increased prices of fish under Weinstock's regime are to be used in presenting the matter to the Legislature.

Mrs. W. T. Cleverdon, chairman of the Alameda County "High Cost of Living Committee," which recently inaugurated a successful boycott on butter, eggs and potatoes, is one of the most active participants in the present move.

At the meeting for next Tuesday Richmond will be represented by Mayor Lane and at least one other member of the City Council, who have met with the East Bay food fighting organization before. They expect to accomplish something worth while this year, and will make the start this time for better laws at Sacramento.

ART WORKS IS BUSY

The Capitol Art Metal Works of San Pablo is doing an enterprising business these days. This firm does everything in the line of sheet metal work and nothing is too big of a job for them to do or anything too small. They are competing with many business firms about the bay and are getting large orders for all kinds of work.

PYTHIAN SISTERS INSTALL

Richmond Temple of Pythian Sisters No. 86 held its annual installation of officers last night in Pythian Castle before a large number of visiting members from East Bay lodges. The installing officer for the occasion was District Deputy Mrs. Letis Mart of Oakland. The new officers for the order will be: Past Chief, Ida Godman; M. E. C., Rose Parker; Excellent Senior, Rhea Authas; Excellent Junior, Myrtle Lutz; Manager, Beatrice Woodruff; M. of R., Marie Ripley; M. of E., May Cunningham; Protector, Elizabeth Waddingham; Guard, Maude Arnold.

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Hundreds of News readers have said they liked and admired this paper because it had a well-defined public policy and nerve enough to stick to it, regardless of consequences.

That is just what the News has and is, and sometimes the consequences are hard to bear. Big interests, such as the allied liquor interests, for instance (and there are others), are powerful and unscrupulous. They reach out into many branches of business the average person knows nothing about.

The point is, the News loses thousands of dollars in money and trade that it would otherwise get if it did not stand up and fight so strenuously for what it believes is right for all the people, and therefore, being essentially a people's paper, we ask you, as one of the masses, to help the News what little you can.

If you stand for the principles the News has been espousing, then you ought to help a little toward "winning the war," and this you can do without cost and with no trouble or inconvenience.

Just talk it over with your neighbor or friend, and get him to become a News reader, also.

That will help materially, for if each reader does that little thing the News' list will be doubled, its advertising patronage would be increased because of the increased circulation, and its power for good greatly enhanced.

Will you do this much for the good of the cause?

ESTATE OF MRS. ODELL

Judge C. A. Odell appears as attorney and petitioner in the estate of the late Martha Julia Odell, in which he is asking for letters of administration. The estate is valued at $8,850.

Attorney Odell also represents J. W. Stidham, who asks to be appointed guardian of the person and estate of Christopher Macway.—Martinez Standard.

WELCOME HOME MEETING

The Welcome Home committee met last night to consider giving a welcome home demonstration for the returning soldiers, but owing to the epidemic situation did not know what to do, and so did not do anything, except to arrange to meeting again next Thursday night, in hopes that sickness conditions may be over, or at least much better.

New Goods at Old Prices

JUST RECEIVED A LARGE SHIPMENT OF

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IN BALLS IN ALL THE VERY LATEST SHADES, SUCH AS SALMON PINK, NEW CORAL, MAGENTA, PURPLE, NEW GREEN, GOLD and PEACOCK BLUE

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Our Wool Goods line is now complete in Storm Serges, Poplins, French Serges, Broadcloths, and Fancy Suitings in assorted shades and colors.

NEW SILKS

Big Assortment of Messaline and Taffeta Silks, in Plaids, Stripes and Plain.

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FISH FISH

Just received a large shipment of FRESH FISH from our shipper at Monterey, Cal., and we offer YOU a big assortment at LOWEST PRICES.

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FRESH SARDINES .....7 1-2c lb
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You'll Spend the Money —Get the Most Out Of It

Every year you spend a large proportion of the money you get. So much for clothing. So much for shoes. So much for things to eat, house furnishings, garden seeds and tools and what not.

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READ ADVERTISEMENTS. The advertisements you read will tell you what is new and good. They will give you the latest ideas and improvements. They will help you to live better and dress better at less cost. If you think of it, you'll be surprised at the world of interest and the wealth of new ideas you'll find in reading advertisements.

Advertisements are the daily record of progress. They are the report to you of the manufacturers and merchants who work for you, telling what has been accomplished for your benefit.

"Is Your Name Written Here?"

Three members of the presses employed at the Pacific Porcelain Ware Company are ill with the influenza. They are M. E. Heath, J. Wall and H. W. DeRoss.

L. F Wolfe has again taken up his duties with the Pacific Porcelain Ware Company as assistant superintendent. Wolfe has just been discharged from the submarine service of the United States Navy. Although he didn't get across the pond, he reports that he had a wonderful time during his enlistment. With most of the men back from the front, the local plant is getting ready to execute the big orders which are coming their way.

Walter Pitchford is leaving for Camp Donald Wise, San Antonio, Texas, today after a furlough spent with his friends and relatives in Richmond. Pitchford is in the air service.

Mrs. W. Quinn is ill at her home with the influenza.

A. Gatto is on the sick list also.

Joe Miller is improving, after a three weeks' illness.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Pennington of the Santa Fe foundry are both able to be about again after a two weeks' siege.

Mildred Truitt has recovered from a cold which had confined her to her home for a week.

Miss Mabel Skarle went to San Francisco yesterday on a business trip.

H. J. Miner is ill at his home with the flu.

Mrs. N. T. Bush is improving from her illness.

Tom Cohn is ill at his home with the existing epidemic.

Mrs. W. A. Mackey and daughter are reported to be improving from their illness.

L. L. Farrell is attending to the business end of the East Bay Water Company while the local manager, C. E. Clark, is confined to his home with the influenza. Farrell is superintendent of the water company's holdings in Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley and Richmond. Seems natural to see Louise back at the old stand.

Jimmy Hicks is expected home at any time. He is a member of the aviation school at Mather Field, Sacramento.

W. Dexter, head machinist in the automobile shop at the Standard Oil Company, is ill at his home in Oakland.

Theodore Marcello, reported to be seriously ill last Tuesday in these columns, is reported to be very much improved, to the comfort of many friends about the city.

Frank Marcollo, a member of the quartermaster corps at Camp Lewis, is in Richmond on a furlough. He came at the call of his mother who feared that Thedore Marcollo, the boy's father would pass away, due to pneumonia, which he was critically ill with for some days past.

Gloria Osborne is improving from her recent illness.

Harry Radak, 301 Ohio street, is the proud father of a boy, which the stork brought last Monday night. Both mother and son are doing nicely, and Harry expects to recover, also.

Harry Marcus of the Big Store is convelescing and will soon be back on the job.

M. J. Walsh is back with the car company again after several months in the United States Army. Walsh was issued his over-seas equipment but never got across.

R. Corcoran recently returned from England, where he was with an American aviation squadron, is again working on the cars.

Stenotyist wanted and big money paid, says the Richmond Business School.

The Socialist local met Wednesday night in the Labor Temple. The members are planning to entertain some speakers here soon.

Jack Barry is in Richmond on a fifteen-day furlough from Camp Fremont. Barry is with the fire department of the quartermasters. He has been in the service for a year. Before enlisting he was a lieutenant with the local fire department.

Mr. and Mrs. Basel Dougherty spent yesterday in Richmond, the guest of Miss Katheryn Frymire. Mr. Dougherty is pastor of the M. E. Church in Berkeley, and well known here.

Mrs. Pearl Rogers-Jones, living on Twenty-First street, has been very ill with the influenza, but is now recovering. Her husband is ill, too, and in a hospital in the East.

Mrs. T. H. Moore of 245 Fifth street has received the sad news of the death of her sister, Mrs. Harrison Chappel of Troy, Mo. Mrs. Chappel died at the home of her son, Hunter Chappel in Arizona, where she was visiting prior, to her departure to visit Mrs. Moore in Richmond.

The Building Trades Council held a very interesting meeting last night in the Labor Temple. They held their nomination for officers for the ensuing year. The attendance was the best for some time.

Mrs. J. O'Rourke is able to be up after a week's illness.

Mrs. R. Casey is on the road to health once more.

The Olive Homestead of Yeomen postponed their open meeting which was to have been held last night, on account of the existing epidemic.

Charles G. Younce stopped off at Richmond on his way to San Francisco last night to attend the meeting of the L. O. O. M. Younce is now located at Hopland, Cal., and in the sheep business.

The Richmond Rebekahs No. 206 held their regular meeting last night and transacted routine business.

The L. O. O. Moose entertained Grand Regent of Moosehart Van Der Nalen, who was present at the regular meeting of the Moose last night. Van Der Nalen delivered an address on Moosehart and told of the coming convention, which is to be held at Oakland, Feb. 8. All the lodges of the Western States will send representatives to this annual convention.

FRATERNAL AID ORGANIZES

The Fraternal Aid Union was reorganized last night under State Organizers Mr. and Mrs. Lacey of Pasadena. The union will meet hereafter every first and third Tuesday of the month. A big special meeting will be held next meeting night, when the grand superior president will preside for the first time.

All the Fraternal Aid Unions about the east bay cities have been invited to attend. There will be a class initiation of 35 new members. The present high officers for the order are J. P. Reeves, president, and A. Dunlap, past president.

MRS. BLAKE CRITICALLY ILL

Mrs. C. R. Blake, wife of Dr. Blake, city health officer, is in a very critical condition, due to a serious attack of the influenza. Wednesday night she was as well as usual, but Thursday morning she was reported to be seriously ill. At 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon her temperature rose to 104 and at 9 o'clock last night it was 106. Dr. Blake is in attendance.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC TIMETABLE

Trains for San Francisco leave Richmond:

A. M.	P. M.
6:52	12:12
7:05	1:10
7:42	2:54
9:14	5:12
10:09	5:22
	5:37
	6:06
	6:47
	8:42
	9:50

Boats connecting with trains for Richmond leave San Francisco:

A. M.	P. M.
6:20	1:00
7:20	2:40
7:40	3:40
8:20	4:00
8:40	5:00
9:20	6:20
10:20	*6:40
	8:20
	9:00
	11:40

*Daily and 7:40 Sunday.

GET SALT FROM SEA WATER

Old Method of Obtaining Necessary of Life Is Still Practiced in Various Places.

The use of salt for seasoning and preserving foods is so ancient that the earliest written records refer to it, says a writer in Popular Science Monthly. For many centuries practically all the salt used by the human race was procured by the evaporation of sea water.

This method of obtaining salt is still employed in many localities where the conditions are favorable. A flat stretch of sea coast and a hot and dry climate are necessary if salt is to be got from sea water. An ideal locality for this industry is the coast on the Bay of Cadiz, Spain.

The sea water is allowed to collect in shallow basins, barely above high-water mark. As the water evaporates the various salts contained in the sea water crystallize out and form a crust, which is removed and shoveled in small heaps. There the salts undergo the first stage of purification.

The edible salt is drained from the other salts, which constitute the greater part of the impurities. The edible salt crystallizes out first, while the other salts retain the water and form a concentrated brine which is allowed to run into ditches dug for that purpose.

The partly purified salt is then gathered into large heaps. Occasional rains wash out the more easily soluble impurities, and the hot sun dries the salt on the surface of the pile. Although it still contains about 15 per cent of impurities it is shipped in large quantities without further refining.

NOT WISE ABOUT OSTRICHES

Grave Difficulties Seem to Surround Scheme Devised by a Soldier Who Wants a Mascot.

The machine-gun sergeant at Douglas who wants an ostrich for a mascot and is willing to hatch it himself if somebody will provide him with an egg, does not know much about ostriches or the task in which he proposes to enlist, in the opinion of the Arizona Republican. If he gets the egg and is not otherwise restricted, he might as well be mustered out of the service. The Germans will be at peace so far as he is concerned.

He has perhaps been misled by stories he has heard of the careless, irresponsible way in which the ostrich race is perpetuated, by the laying of the egg in the sand, where it is left to its own devices until it becomes an ostrich. That may happen in Africa, where there is plenty of sand and heat, but it will not work in the climate of Douglas, where, though there is no lack of sand the sun cannot be counted upon to assist in the business of incubation. The sergeant would have to go to setting.

Moreover, the ostrich is a bird of slow growth. It would be a long time before one coming forth from the egg could become a potent influence in the struggle between autocracy and democracy. By the time it would be in readiness to be taken to Berlin the war would be over and only historians would yet be talking about it.

We would recommend some other kind of mascot, one of quicker though even of less sturdy and magnificent growth.

Canton a City of Canals.

At Canton, the oldest city in southern China, the river is, in effect, canalized, and the shipping is heavy and varied. The water is deep enough for ships of 1,000 tons burden as far as the city, but foreign boats come up only as far as Whampoa, nine miles to the southeast, where there are extensive docks. Here the loading and unloading is done by native boats. Vessels of deep draft lie outside the bar. Forty miles below is the Boca Tigris (Mouth of the Tiger), and the water widens into a wide estuary. Water divides the old from the new town and surrounds the island and the suburbs, where the Europeans live,—so that Canton has an abundance of picturesque water life, including a big houseboat population.

FLU SITUATION

The epidemic situation in Richmond is slowly but surely improving since the masks were put on Monday. For the twenty-four hours ending last night there were four deaths and thirty new cases reported in to the Health Department. The deaths were from old cases and the new cases dropped off very materially compared with the day previous, when there were 53.

The Red Cross reports that all calls so far for nurses have been readily met. On the whole, the outlook is considerably better than it has been.

BOYER ON SAD MISSION

Rev. Thos. A. Boyer was called to Santa Rosa yesterday on a sad mission, that of conducting the funeral services of an old time friend, Paul Calvin, of that place, who died from Bright's disease. The remains will be sent to San Francisco today for cremation.

DRAFT BOARD QUITTING

The local draft board is cleaning up its business preparatory to quitting business, as its usefulness is now about over. Chairman Boswell says he is glad the war is over and hopes there will never be another.

A MILE OF NICKELS

James A. Pownell, one of our old time neighbors when we were on the 2 by 4 ranch out toward San Pablo, dropped in yesterday and took away from the office every dingbusted nickel we had in the shop. He is one of a committee of many others who have undertaken to gather a mile of nickels for the completion of the Baptist Church out there. A mile of nickels is some piece of change. We'd hate to say what we would do for so much coin, of Pownell either—we don't believe there are that many nickels in town.

Jim is living in his nice new 8-room house out there now, but ain't stuck up a bit over it. He says Hurlburt, Winkler, McCausland and all the rest of the old timers are following the straight and narrow path as well as could be expected from sinners.

L. W. Matthews, president of the Carmen's Athletic Club is ill at his home with the grippe.

TWO MORE DEATHS.

Alfred Frazer, an employe at the San Pablo tank farm of the Standard Oil Company, died yesterday from the epidemic, aged 38 years. He leaves a wife to mourn his loss and many friends. Funeral will be from St. Paul's Church tomorrow at San Pablo.

Mrs. Gertrude White, age 39, wife of Floyd White of El Cerrito, passed away at the family home yesterday. Funeral from the Curry parlors here tomorrow at 1:30 p.m.

MARCELLO GETTING WELL

Theo. Marcello, who has been critically ill with pneumonia at the home of his brother in San Francisco, is now on the road to recovery. His son Frank, came from Camp Lewis on furlough to see him.

FERRY TIED UP

The Richmond-San Rafael Ferry broke down Tuesday and will be out of commission until Saturday. It is necessary to install new boiler tubes.

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BEGINNING FEBRUARY 1, 1919, GROCERY AND OTHER STORES WILL

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GROCERY STORES WILL

CLOSE AT 6 P. M. DAILY—8 P. M. SATURDAYS.

Dry goods, gents' furnishings, hardware, furniture, jewelry and shoe stores will

CLOSE AT 6 P. M. DAILY.
8 P. M. SATURDAYS
8 P. M. STANDARD OIL PAYDAYS.

RICHMOND MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION

A. C. BURDICK, President.

Public Health Notice

NO. 12

I, CHARLES R. BLAKE, Commissioner of Health of the City of Richmond, State of California, do hereby order, direct, and require, that on and after Monday Morning, January 13th, 1919, on account of the prevalance of Spanish Influenza in the said City of Richmond, and unutil further orders, every person within said city shall be and is hereby ordered, required and directed to wear a gauze mask covering the nose and mouth. Said mask to be satisfactory to me as Commissioner of Health as aforesaid.

CHARLES R. BLAKE,
Commissioner of Health, City of Richmond.

Dated: Richmond, California, January 11th, 1919.

(Jan. 12—tf)